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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Summary of work in Chinatown, San Francisco, for the week ended July 23, 1904.

The following is received from Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue, under date of July 25:

Week ended July 23.

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| Buildings reinspected..... | 243 |
| Rooms | 1,670 |
| Persons inspected | 2,115 |
| Sick | 22 |
| Sick prescribed for at Oriental Dispensary | 12 |
| Dead examined | 2 |
| Necropsies | None. |
| Rats examined bacteriologically..... | 31 |
| Number showing pest infection..... | 0 |
| Places limed and disinfected | 1,140 |
| Times streets swept..... | 3 |
| Sewers flushed | 18 |
| Blocks covered with Danyz virus..... | 712 |
| Notices served to abate plumbing nuisance..... | 11 |
| Nuisances abated..... | 5 |
| Undergoing abatement | 10 |
| Total number plumbing inspections..... | 120 |

Fumigation of steamship Korea at San Francisco quarantine.

The following is received from Assistant Surgeon Trotter, under date of July 12:

The American steamship *Korea*, from oriental ports, arrived at this port on the 30th ultimo. She was inspected and passed by Passed Assistant Surgeon Cumming with the proviso that the vessel should use rat guards at the wharf, hoist gangways at night, and have her holds fumigated with sulphur when discharged.

This vessel had a case of plague aboard while en route from Hongkong to Kobe. At the latter port the passengers were removed and bathed, effects fumigated, and the ship was washed with some antiseptic solution, probably carbolic acid. In addition she received, according to the ship's officers, a fumigation of the holds with sulphur dioxid, about 300 pounds being used. This vessel also received a preliminary disinfection, by sulphur dioxid, at Hongkong, previous to taking on cargo.